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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	S.A. Iliff, <i>et al.</i>		
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For:	SAFETY SHIELD		Examiner: M. A. Brown

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 21, 2004 for the above-captioned application, kindly amend the case as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

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